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Excise Officers Arrest, Cite 15 in South Bend

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (Sept. 7) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested or cited 15 people on 42 charges in South Bend this weekend.

Excise police officers also cited Between the Buns, 1803 South Bend Avenue, on a preliminary charge of allowing carryout of alcohol not in its original container after officers saw several patrons leave with large plastic cups with alcoholic beverages.

This weekend's charges included:

- 6 – Possession of false ID
- 5 – Illegal possession or consumption of alcohol
- 4 – Minor in tavern or liquor store
- 4 – False statement of age
- 4 – Misuse of license
- 3 – Open container violations
- 2 – Possession of false government-issued ID
- 2 – Drug-related charges

Excise officers also issued several traffic tickets for seat-belt violations and one for not using headlights. They also issued written warnings for seat-belt violations, no license plate light and failure to signal lane change.

Excise officers patrolled South Bend to promote public safety on Friday and Saturday, when the University of Notre Dame hosted the University of Michigan in football.

No arrests were made in the tailgating areas around Notre Dame Stadium on Saturday.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All respondents are to be presumed not liable until, and unless the plaintiff can prove by preponderance of the evidence the respondent's liability in an administrative hearing.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.